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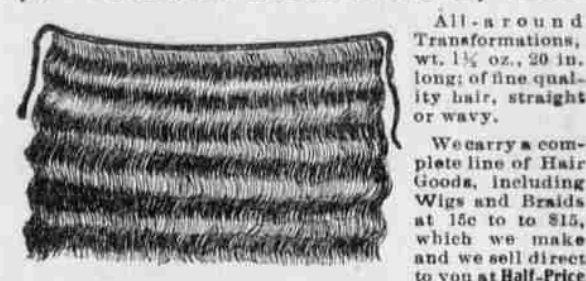
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### A MASONIC RECEPTION.

Another one of the delightful affairs in Masonic circles this winter was the reception and banquet tendered by the officers and members of Westport Lodge No. 48 to its ladies in the Masonic Temple last Saturday night. Worshipful Master Ben. Cave and his lodge have a right to feel justly proud of their excellent membership and the splendid ladies identities.



SIR NED CARTER.

Master of Ceremonies at the reception given by Westport Lodge, No. 48, A. F. & A. M., last Saturday night.

With it by the usual Masonic adoptive rites. About sixty guests were present, and choice refreshments were served throughout the evening, while the following excellent program was rendered with Sir Ned Carter as master of ceremonies. Instrumental solo by Miss Hazel Bean; vocal solo by Ben. Martin; recitation by Albert Bean; solo by H. W. Bean; address, Grand Master N. C. Crews; response, Ben. Cace; solo, Miss Hazel Bean.



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## MISSOURI

### CHILLICOTHE, MO.

By I. C. U. Know.

Lowery's Minstrel entertained an appreciative audience at the Majestic Theatre last Saturday night. The Bruce Quartette, styled the "Pickin' Quartette," has proven to be a drawing card at the moving-picture show at the same theatre. Mr. Wm. Beach, who is employed in the dining car service, visited relatives and friends last week. He left for Chicago, Ill., Sunday night. Mr. Alexander Winfrey is recovering from an attack of indigestion. Despite his bodily ills, he directs his trustworthy employees who keep Uncle Sam's mail and Col. Winfrey's transfer business under commendable service. Rev. Botts is full of religious zeal and interest. Not a few persons have united with the church. The funeral services of Mr. Pleasant Bell were held at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church Wednesday afternoon, and conducted by Revs. Sawyer and Talley. Friday afternoon the funeral of Mr. David Roundtree, whose death occurred Wednesday night, was held at the Baptist Church, with Rev. Talley officiating. This has passed from our sight one who, at the age of 38, and the latter who, at the age of 87, gave up that which men are so fond of—life. We extend sincere sympathy to the relatives. The Young Ladies' Club was entertained by Miss Iva Brown at the home of her parents Saturday, the 24th. The afternoon was spent in a social and literary manner, and a dainty lunch was served by Miss Brown, who is aided in the culinary art. An afternoon of pleasure and profit was acknowledged by the members of the club. Mr. Leon Cheatham's tailoring and dyeing establishment has taken on new life under the new proprietor, Mr. Tom Million. We wish him success in his old and well-mastered trade. Mister Doctor Cheatham's departure was similar to his coming among us, which was unknown and unsuspected. We write this perfectly mindful of the valuable service he rendered to the people of this community, and we miss our thanks for the same with the best wishes we extend Mr. Cheatham, who, Arab-like, folded up his tent and silently stole away.

### MT. VERNON, MO.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Moore gave a unique house party at their delightful cottage in honor of Miss Daisy E. Price, teacher here. The decorations must be referred to as work of artists who, with their keen artistic eyes, had planned it; the colors of the decorations were pink and green; the flowers, red and white peonies. They were so arranged as to give perfect beauty, and various pieces of cut glasses were used in the array. The menu service was first-class. From 3 to 5 o'clock p. m. the older folks came, and were served, and highly enjoyed the afternoon by sacred and classical music. From 7 to 10 o'clock p. m. the younger set came and were served. They enjoyed the evening to the utmost, and words of appreciation were given by many. The unmarried received a noble lecture by Prof. W. V. Wallace, wherein he encouraged early marriage. The distinguished guests from the various out-of-town places were: Rev. R. G. Smith, Mrs. R. G. Smith, Prof. Chas. H. Williams and Mrs. Lucy Hoye, of Greenfield; Prof. W. V. Wallace, Mrs. W. V. Wallace, Misses Mary B. Wood, Marie Wallace, or the pedagogic force of Carthage; Mrs. N. Williams and Miss Bertha L. Neil, of Springfield; Mr. J. Crump, Mr. A. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Yose, Miss D. Sharpe, Mrs. Anna Sneed, Miss Addie Sneed and Mrs. Jane Langgan, of Mt. Vernon, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. John Moore will long live in memory.

### HIGGINSVILLE, MISSOURI.

The Negroes of this city are much pleased at the opening of a Pastime Theatre by Messrs. L. G. Scott, Toomy & Co., of Kansas City, Mo. We hope success for the managers, and that the Negroes will show their appreciation by "keeping on their best behavior." Married in this city, January 12, Miss Bessie Chinn and Mr. John Braxier. The ceremony took place in the parsonage of the officiating minister, Rev. W. Blatts. We heartily wish them a happy future. Mrs. Roscoe Perry is visiting her parents at Mayview, Mo. Mrs. J. W. Perry reports having spent a very pleasant time in Wichita, Kas., visiting her relatives and friends. Mr. Bert Wallace, a soldier of the Ninth Cavalry, spent the past week with his parents. He is now stationed at Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis. Several social functions were given in his honor while in the city. He expects to sail for the Philippines about February 5. Miss Edmonia Smith and Little Hazel Williams are able to resume their class work, after several days' absence on account of grippe. Revival meeting at the A. M. E. Church is growing in interest. Thus far there have been eight conversions and eleven added to the church. Rev. Green is assisted by Rev. W. B. Johnson, of Osage City, and Rev. Watts of St. Paul Baptist church.

### EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, MO.

Mrs. Dotty Tull and friend, of Kansas City, Kas., spent a few days in this city shaking hands with old friends. Rev. Garrison, former pastor of the A. M. E. Church of Chicago, now located in Sioux City, Ia., spent a very pleasant ten days here, and is qualified to recommend this place to all true ministers throughout the universe with all the accommodations of the Albany. He left Thursday, contemplating stopping at Omaha, as will arrive home Sunday. Miss Ora Clark spent two days visiting friends in Kansas City. Mr. W. D. Seals visited parents in St. Joseph. The choir is proud to have its organist, Miss Clark, back again. R. V. Ray, who spent a few days visiting parents in Atchison, Kas., stopping over in Leavenworth to see his old friend, Eddie Jackson, who just finished a trip around the world.

## PALMYRA, MO.

Sunday was a glorious day at Bethel A. M. E. Church. Rev. Haywood preached two soul stirring sermons. The Willing Workers of the A. M. E. Church are preparing to have a bazaar, February 19 and 20. Park Chapel Baptist Church closed their revival last Thursday night with four converts. Mrs. Hattie Green was in Hannibal on business Wednesday. Mesdames Sarah Porter, Grace Davis and Bettie Allen are on the sick list. The Willing Workers met at Mrs. Jno. W. Smiley's Friday afternoon. Miss Lillian M. Hamilton, who is teaching at Hannibal, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents. The members of Marion Court No. 30 held memorial services Sunday in memory of Sister Sarah J. Anderson, vice grand matron of the Grand Court, Herodines of Jericho. The following program was rendered: Song, "Shall We Meet"; Scripture reading, Mr. J. W. Smiley, Joshua; invocation, Mrs. Eliza Ransom; song, "Asleep in Jesus"; reading, Mrs. Jno. W. Smiley; song, "When Peace Like a River"; eulogy on behalf of Sister Anderson, V. M. Mrs. Nannie Porter, M. A. M.; song, "Nearer My God to Thee." Very interesting remarks were made by J. W. Smiley, W. J., and which were enjoyed by all.

### FARMINGTON, MO.

Mrs. Laura Kennedy went to Charleston Friday to be there several days engaged in hair work. Mr. Chas. Baker went to St. Louis to attend the quarterly meeting of the beneficiary board of the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias. Miss Alice Swink was in Herculaneum Saturday looking after her music class. Mrs. Velma Reed, of St. Louis, arrived Sunday on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Body. Mr. Felix Poston was compelled to lay off a few days from his work on account of having trouble with his eyes. The Ivy Leaf Club was entertained on Wednesday evening by Miss Ora M. Hunt. A very pleasant evening was spent. The Clover Bee Club was entertained on Thursday evening by Misses Bessie Hunt and Corinne Wilkins at the home of Miss Wilkins.

### LEBANON, MO.

Under the principal, Prof. H. H. Williams, summer school is doing excellent work. There has been a remarkable increase in attendance and interest that is the direct result of the teacher's untiring efforts in behalf of the school and its patrons.

The school has forty-eight pupils enrolled, and an average attendance of forty-one. Only grade work is being done this year, thirteen pupils being in the third, fourth and fifth grades, while the remainder are in the first and second grades. To encourage home study, Mr. Williams urges the scholars to come to him at any time out of school hours for help, and to his generous giving of time and interest is due the progress of the school. Home education is one of the new features of school work, the Domestic Science Club having supplied literature for the use of the pupils. In line with this work, Mr. Williams has organized a Band of Mercy.

### MASONIC HOME, HANNIBAL, MO.

The matron, Mrs. Sarah W. Dixon, received last week from Hope Court No. 82, of Frankford, through Mrs. L. A. Martin, a box containing the following articles: Two cans of tomatoes, three jars of cherries, three jars of peaches, four jars of plums, two jars of choice fruit, two pecks of apples, two pecks of turnips and one-half pound of dried apples. We take this opportunity of thanking each sister, brother and friend who made it possible for Sister Martin to make this donation. The M. A. G. Matron, Mrs. C. R. McDonald informed us, while in St. Louis and Kirkwood last week visiting the Courts, that she worked up the donation idea, and that we might expect quite a donation from the above-named places soon. The pigs for the home have not arrived. Please don't forget your promises so soon. Brethren, don't let the Sisters act more generous along the donation route than you. Wanted—One hundred apple and peach trees to get out in the spring. Who will be the first to contribute for the same? When passing through Hannibal stop over and visit the Home.

### SWEET SPRINGS, MISSOURI.

In sad and loving memory of my dear friend, Mr. Claud Stevenson, who passed away one year ago, January 1, 1913:  
The golden gates were open wide,  
A gentle voice said, "Come,  
Sweet angel on the other side."  
He is gone but not forgotten;  
Never shall his memory fade;  
For memory is the only friend I call my own.  
Sweet thoughts will ever linger  
Around the tomb where he is laid.  
A voice of love is stilled;  
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## KANSAS

### ROSEDALE, KANSAS.

Mrs. J. Conway is ill at her home in Columbus Heights. A program will be rendered at the Pleasant Valley Baptist Church Thursday evening, February 5, by young people friends of the church. The public is invited. The St. Paul A. M. E. Zion Church has just closed a successful revival. The meetings were conducted by the Rev. Mrs. Florence Schooler, evangelist of Quincy, Ill. There are five conversions and seven additions to the church as a result of the meeting. Mrs. Eliza Byers is seriously ill at her residence, 4136 Edwin street. The lecture given by the district superintendent of M. E. Church, Rev. S. A. Stripling, at the parents' and teachers' meeting, was well attended and highly spoken of by all present. The Rev. L. C. Allen, pastor of the M. E. Church, also gave us a stirring lecture on "To Whom Is the Child Subject to and from School—the Parent or Teacher?" Next meeting will be February 13. Wesley Chapel M. E. Church is preparing special services for next Sunday. "Go to Church Sunday." Everybody is invited to attend. The Rev. S. A. Stripling, D. S., and Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Allen were entertained at dinner during the week at the following homes: Mr. and Mrs. F. Maddox, Mr. and Mrs. Shelby, Mr. and Mrs. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. C. Maddox, Sheridan Allen, who has been sick with pneumonia, is improving.

### RENO, KANSAS.

Mrs. Washington Roffler returned Monday from Lawrence, where she spent a few days. Mr. Clyde Caldwell and Mr. Harry Tolliver were visiting in Reno Sunday. Mr. J. M. Nelson made a business trip to Leavenworth Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Roffler went, shopping at Lawrence Monday and bought a fine violin. Mr. Roffler is known as the best violinist in Reno. Mr. B. McKissack and brother, of Lawrence, were on hunting Monday night. Mr. Walter went to Lawrence Tuesday on business. Mr. Carl Alsop and Mr. Cooper, of Lawrence, attended the concert here which was a great success, and a large crowd was in attendance. The leading characters were: Mr. Dalton Willie Hawkins, Mrs. Dalton, Louvenia Hawkins, Little Hon, Miss Ethel Brown, Miss Smith, Miss Addie Brown, Dr. Settler, Willie Gideon, Jack James, Nelson, Fred Walker, Nelson, Carl Carr, Levi, McKinney, Mr. Willie Reynolds and Mr. Harry Tolliver were at Reno Saturday. Mr. Babylon Roffler had an accident which was not very serious. His horse turned over the buggy and broke it. He was only slightly injured. Miss Addie Brown is in Lawrence. Mr. Albert Stone was in Reno Saturday, and also Mr. Harry Sheppard. Wm. Hawkins is on the sick list.

### NEELY, KANSAS.

Mr. Richard King, of Topeka, spent Saturday here with his sister, Mrs. Alice Wilson. Miss Cora L. Bland returned from Rosedale, Kas., where she spent two weeks with her aunt, Mrs. Maggie Smith, who is ill. Mr. Matthew Wilson attended the entertainment given by the U. B. F. Wednesday night at Oskaloosa, Kas. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bell took dinner with Mr. Lon King Sunday. Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lon King Sunday were: Wallace Matthews, Mark Matthews, Geo. King, Mr. Louis Bell and family, and Miss Laura and Miss Nettie Norris. Mr. Sherman Wake is on the sick list. Miss Nora Bland visited her aunt, Mrs. Alice Wilson, Thursday. Mr. Henry Matthews was Tonganoxie one day last week.

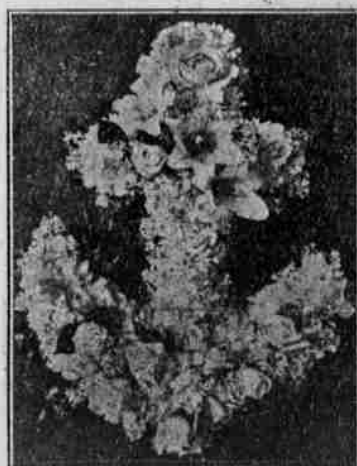
Mr. Bonnie Matthews was in Tonganoxie Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Lon King and Mr. Geo. King were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Noris Saturday evening. Rev. Matt Wilson preached at the Mt. Zion Church Sunday.

### TONGANOXIE, KANSAS.

Miss Oliver Wood is visiting in Kansas City, Kas. Miss Laura Caldwell left for Kansas City, and will spend a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Sims visited relatives and friends here Sunday. Mr. Harry Tolliver left for Kansas City, and will spend the winter with his brother. Mr. Pointer, of Leavenworth, visited Mr. Will James last week. Little Stella May Nelson is slowly improving, after a severe attack of tonsillitis. The concert given by the young men was a splendid success. Mr. Gus Stewart, of Kansas City, made a business trip here Thursday. Mr. Irvin Fowler left for Arkansas last week. Mrs. Thomas, of Leavenworth, made a business trip here Saturday. Mr. Chas. Grant was among the visitors Saturday.

### SEATTLE, WASH.

The waiters at the Arctic Club have been replaced by white men under the same conditions as the Baltimore of Kansas City, but the Negroes do not seem to worry about it. We like the Sun very much and think it one of the best Negro papers in existence and wish it continued prosperity. While the whites are busy agitating the "Asiatic" problem, colored people are taking advantage of every opening and making good. The old time "pimp," "gambler" and "easy liver" who flourished so long ago in the West, is fast being eliminated by pushing, hard working, progressive Negroes from the South and East. The last meeting of the Seattle branch of the N. A. A. C. P. was well attended and reports were very encouraging. The Negro Fellowship League elected officers recently. Mr. I. W. Turner, president; W. W. Casman, vice president; H. S. Francis, secretary and treasurer. The Phillis Wheatley Club met Tuesday at the residence of Mrs. W. L. Fort, and a very enjoyable program was rendered and a dainty luncheon was served. Mr. P. H. Williamson and wife recently of Kansas City, Mo., are very comfortably located at the new Woodson apartments. Election time is not far off and the four thousand Negro voters of Seattle are losing no time to register so as to be eligible.



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